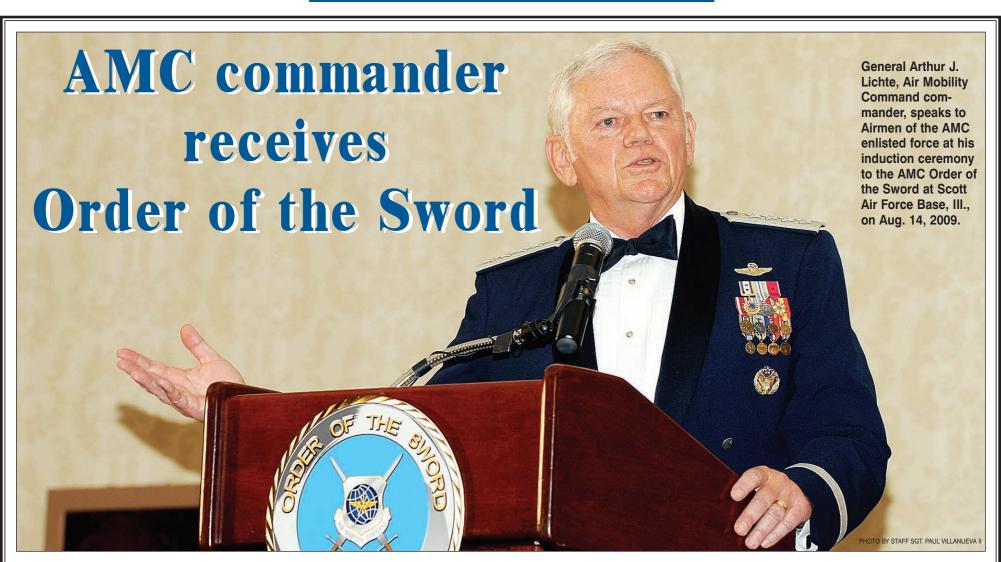
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By Capt. Bob Everdeen

Air Mobility Command Public Affairs

SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, Ill. — Arriving at the Scott Club in a horse-drawn carriage while a bagpipe melody filled the air, Air Mobility Command Commander Gen. Arthur Lichte and his wife Chris were about to become a part of military his-

The carriage ride, which arrived under security forces escort, was just the start of a rich military tradition where the enlisted men and women of AMC bestowed the high honor of Order of the Sword to General Lichte on Aug. 14.

The event, which draws its customs from a Middle Ages ceremony, recognized General Lichte for his leadership at AMC since his arrival nearly two years ago. It was a ceremony that saw enlisted Airmen donning full mess dress to honor their leader in the finest of traditions.

AMC Command Chief Master Sgt. Joe Barron notified General Lichte of the nomination in April. As chairman of the Order of the Sword committee, Chief Barron said the primary reason the General was chosen for the award is because he is a "leader among leaders and an Airman among Airmen."

"I cannot think of a leader more deserving of this recognition." Chief Barron said.

General Lichte said he didn't learn or build his Air Force career just from professional military education or books, he said he learned from the enlisted core.

'(Learning) happens when the chief comes in and closes the door and tells me what needs to be done," General Lichte said. "It's when NCOs shoulder the load of the Air Force and when I look into the eyes of Airmen and see the pulse of the U.S. Air Force."

General Lichte cited many examples of enlisted leadership and the inspiration and education it has provided him. He said it was an Air Force sergeant who encouraged him to join the Air Force. He also highlighted an Airman who was a boom operator and refueled the planes with enthusiasm during his early days at Plattsburgh AFB, NY; and he singled-out an NCO from Maintenance who worked on those aircraft throughout the night showing tremendous dedication and professional-

"When I was the vice commander for the U.S. Air Forces in Europe, every other country wanted to be like the U.S. Air Force," General Lichte said. "They wanted to come and train with us. They wanted to come to our professional military education...they wanted a professional enlisted corps.

"I learned that lesson again just a few weeks ago at RODEO when I met the Afghanistan Air Force Chief of Staff," General

Lichte added. "He was not impressed by the aircraft, tactics or techniques, but the Airmen. It is this fantastic force that gives us a competitive military advantage."

The competitive advantage of any military, General Lichte said, has always been and always will be the enlisted force.

"There is no doubt about it, you – our enlisted force – are the greatest asymmetrical advantage we could possibly have," he said. "That's not just for our Air Force, but for our nation."

General Lichte was honored with several mementos depicting a sword – the symbol of truth, justice and power rightfully used – during the Order of the Sword ceremony. The ceremony has evolved since its first rituals in the early 1500s when it was known as the (British) Royal Order of the Sword and the Swedish Military Order of the Sword. In all cases, the reason for the program is the same: for enlisted military people to honor and recognize individuals they hold in high esteem who have made significant contributions to the enlisted force.

In his closing remarks, General Lichte said he won't forget the Airmen of AMC and the Air Force for all of their contributions.

"As you live out your Air Force careers, do so in knowing that the world is watching you, our nation is watching you, and I will still be watching you," he said. "You are fantastic

18th Air Force welcomes new commander

By Capt. Shilo Weir

18th Air Force Public Affairs

SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, Ill. - Lt. Gen. Robert Allardice formally assumed command of the 18th Air Force from Maj. Gen. Winfield Scott III in a change-ofcommand ceremony today at the

"Thank you for the opportunity," said General Allardice. "I feel like today we stand on the shoulders of giants, fellow Airmen who have endured with incredible purpose, Airmen who have endured incredible perils."

"I believe that in this command we set the conditions for success for our country," the general said. "Whether it's a combat mission, a humanitarian mission or some kind of natural response mission, this command sets the conditions for success of our nations."

The 18th Air Force is Air Mobility Command's warfighting numbered Air Force and is responsible for the command's worldwide operational mission. With more than 51,000 active-duty Airmen and more than 1,400 airlift and air refueling aircraft, 18th Air Force manages a streamlined organization that focuses the warfighting capability through the 618th Tanker Airlift Control Center, two expeditionary mobility task



Lt. Gen. Robert R. Allardice (right) assumes command of the 18th Air Force from Gen. Arthur J. Lichte, Air Mobility Command commander, during the change of command ceremony at the Scott Club Aug. 19. Gen. Allardice is replacing Maj. Gen. Winfield W. Scott III.

forces, 18 wings and one standalone group.

The 618th TACC serves as the command's air operations center, planning and directing tanker and transport aircraft operations around the world. The 15th and 21st EMTFs serve

as the lead agencies for conducting mobility operations worldwide. They are the 18th Air Force's key to the execution phase of warfighting, providing worldwide expeditionary mobility support.

During General Scott's

tenure his leadership directly supported the continued success in today's fight with execution of more than 177,000 airlift sorties; delivery of more than 2.5 million passengers, 846,000 tons of cargo, and offload of more than one billion pounds of fuel supporting combatant commanders

worldwide. General Scott oversaw the stand-up of four new wings and championed the creation of the first-ever C-130 active duty associate airlift squadron. The success of this endeavor led to the creation of future follow-on Total Force units at Peterson AFB, Colo., and Scott AFB, Ill.

He coordinated aeromedical evacuations for more than 16,000 warrior patients, maintaining a 97 percent survivability rate on more than 300 urgent patients suffering life or limb injuries.

General Scott commanded the 18th Air Force since June 2008. He will retire from active-duty service in October of this year.

General Allardice is the fifth commander of 18th Air Force since its reactivation in 2003. Prior to this assignment, he served as the Director, Strategy, Plans and Policy, Headquarters U.S. Central Command, MacDill AFB, Fla. from April 2008 to July 2009. He is a command pilot with more than 4,700 hours in the C-141, C-5 and C-17.

"18th Air Force...I am proud to command with you, I am proud to have been a part of you, I am proud to join once again the TRANSCOM team," said Gen. Allardice. "I am very proud to serve as your 18th Air Force commander.'

PERSPECTIVE

Coining Pope's Finest:

Each week Col. James Johnson, 43rd Airlift Wing Commander, highlights an outstanding Airman



ol. James Johnson, 43rd
Airlift Wing Commander,
presented his Commander's
Coin to Senior Airman Christopher
Gaudette, 43rd Civil Engineer
Squadron, Tuesday for his outstanding
work on and off base.

Senior Airman Gaudette is a pavement and construction journeyman and is a vital part of the Horizontal Sections Airfield Repair Team. He helps to ensure all equipment is maintained

and airfield pavements are sound for aircraft operations.

He was also chosen as shop Hazcom/Safety representative, where he is responsible for ensuring his section is in compliance with all state and local

Senior Airman Gaudette arrived at Pope in late 2007, and he finished his upgrade training six months ahead of schedule. He was chosen for the Air Force Civil Engineer Support Agency



(Above) Col. James Johnson, 43rd Airlift Wing Commander, presents Senior Airman Christopher Gaudette, 43rd Civil Engineer Squadron, his Commander's Coin, Tuesday.

(Left)Senior Airman Christopher Gaudette, 43rd Civil Engineer Squadron, repairs defects in the concrete of the flightline Tuesday. Airman Gaudette helps to ensure all equipment is maintained and airfield pavements are sound for aircraft operations.

Airfield Pavements Evaluation Team, and has been instrumental to the team's successful inspection of two million square feet of airfield pavements. In October 2008, he was awarded Below the Zone for the 43rd CES.

Senior Airman Gaudette is currently enrolled in Campbell University in Fayetteville, and is three credit hours from completing his degree with a Bachelor of Science.

Commander's Helpline

Helpline is your direct link to Col. James C. Johnson, 43rd Airlift Wing Commander. If you have worked through normal channels and aren't satisfied, Helplines are an opportunity to ask questions, compliment someone or make suggestions. You must include a name and phone number for a response. Helplines of general interest will be pub-lished in the Carolina Flyer, others will be answered by letter or phone call. . Remember, the most efficient way to solve a problem is to talk directly to the responsible office or follow your



chain of command.
You can call the Commander's Helpline at 394-4357 or e-mail to commanders helpline@page.of mil.

Helpful numbers

Emergency	
(Base Phone/home phone)	
Cell Phone	
Law Enforcement Desk	394-2800/2808
Helping Hand Hot line	
Crime Stop	
Pope Clinic	394-4258
Pass and Registration	394-2694
Security Force	394-2800
Legal Office	394-2341
Chapel	394-2677
Military Personnel Flight	394-2276
Pope Club, collocated	497-4031
TRICARE Customer Service	1-877-TRI-CARE
Civil Engineers	394-2821
Inspector General	394-2302
Family Support Center	394-2538
Child Development Center	394-4323
Kitty Hawk Inn Dining Facility	
Housing Management	
Bowling Center	
Fitness Center	
Finance (Military Pay)	
AAFES Shoppette	
Public Affairs	
Pope/Ft Bragg American Red Cross	396-1231/877-272-7337

Warrior Ethos: Willing - Able - Ready!

By Col. Charles Dunn
Mission Support Group
Commander

fter 25 years of service fighting for Lthis great country, I'm more than ever encouraged by our great Airmen and what they bring to the fight. I'm convinced Pope's Airmen are fit-to-fight. You won't hear me grumbling about our Airmen; their dedication and tireless efforts are obvious, and their warrior spirit is alive! We are and will remain the world's "guardian of freedom and justice, its sword and shield, sentry and avenger."

I just left a humbling discussion with a proud Airman, an Airman boiling with pride having just returned from war – beaming with pride for his Airmen, his Air Force and his country. Yes, Lt. Col. Frank Flores, 3rd Aerial Port Squadron, needed to tell the story. Like a million dollar lottery winner, he had to share the story – a remarkable story of courage while under constant threat of attack – a flesh and blood story where warriors died. One of those Airmen died in bed from injuries suffered in a rocket attack. Listening to the account, I felt an upwelling of emotion and became speechless. Immediately, I reflected on another hero, a Pope hero, Senior Airman Ashton Goodman, who died in combat May 26. My emotion

switched to hatred toward those who would harm our very best – the innocent, the brave and our guarantors of freedom.

I'm equally touched by the countless accounts from our Airmen on the front lines, often bragging about their team's accomplishments. I'm OK with this bragging. The pictures speak volumes, especially the pictures of our Airmen as this brings me closer, closer to the struggle, and closer to the dangers, and I'm lifted by their spirit.

In one such story, earlier this month, Brig. Gen. Craig Franklin, 332nd Air Expeditionary Wing Commander, recognized the life-saving efforts of one of our deployed civil engineers, "Sergeant Berrier is the kind of Airman who immediately takes action when the situation calls for it." In the article, Jesse was quoted as saying, "the Air Force is small, so I think it's important to volunteer and meet people. You never know what kinds of bonds can be made." I could feel the pride as I read the article and gazed at the picture of Jesse, there standing tall, as if to say "I am an American Airmen. I will never falter and I will not fail." Sounds like my Air Force.

Here in the U.S., the 43rd Force Support Squadron recently deployed a team of eight members in support of mortuary operations. There

is no greater example of "Service Before Self" than the honors rendered for fallen comrades. While helping someone who is alive may return a favor, a service for the fallen provides no such opportunity and exemplifies this core value. Airman 1st Class Rontera Powell, Staff Sgt. Starr Samuels, Staff Sgt. Shannon Gothro, Tech. Sgt. Latersa Frazier, Tech. Sgt Rabenna Washington, Master Sgt. Mike Tyra, and 2nd Lt. Benjamin Quigley all deployed in support of the Air Force Mortuary Affairs Operation Center at the Dover Port Mortuary while Capt. Christopher Spring deployed to Aberdeen **Proving Grounds supporting** the Joint Personal Effects Depot.

I'm also touched when this same warrior spirit is exhibited here at home, whether a life-saving event on the track, another in the fitness center or the countless lives saved in our community. There's something different about Airmen — call me different, I'm OK with that — after all I'm associated with the world's finest. This past weekend was no different. As a Red Cross volunteer, I shared my time with hundreds of Airmen -Airmen who can see beyond themselves to something bigger than themselves. The camaraderie was amazing these Airmen made a

difference and persevered in

trying circumstances. The Rock and Run Fest was the first of its kind for a North Carolina Red Cross Chapter. I spent the whole day Saturday observing the best perform outside their comfort zone, yet never complaining as they worked through two thunderstorms, always in tune with their safety and the safety of the public. Surely the people took notice. No matter where Airmen work and play, they'll astound us and make us proud. It occurred to me about half way through the event: Airmen were helping the American Red Cross so the American Red Cross could, in turn, return the

I spent my weekend with the finest – over a hundred Pope Airmen, civilian, military and retired. To top it off, Pope won the Military Team Challenge 10K Run thanks to our team captain, Master Sgt. Roy King, 43rd Force Support Squadron and his team: 2nd Lt. Katherine Bopp, 43rd FSS, Senior Airman Xanadu Moldenhauer, 43rd Communication Squadron, Senior Airman Steven Bowers, 43rd Civil Engineering Squadron, Senior Airman Christian Pagan, 43rd FSS and Senior Airman Evon Pennington, 43rd Medical Support Squadron. Our Wing Commander, Col. James Johnson, was there to deliver the trophy. Willing - Able -

On Labor Day, remember those who work hard to defend our freedom

By Gen. Arthur Lichte Air Mobility Command Commander

SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, Ill. — As I visit with people at bases throughout Air Mobility Command and our operations across the globe, one thing I always admire is the strong spirit of our Airmen and civilians who keep the mobility mission moving day in and day out.

We have an extremely important mission in AMC. supporting our nation at home and abroad while operating in harm's way and providing humanitarian relief. This equates to more than 900 sorties flown each day by aircrews on mobility aircraft and the great ground support that enables the air mobility mission. In order to achieve these incredible accomplishments, it takes the extraordinary efforts of our people including active duty, reserve and guard Airmen as well as civilian employees. We simply would not be successful without each and every one of you – it's a team effort.

of you – it's a team effort.

Labor Day recognizes the contribution workers have made to the strength, prosperity and well-being of our great country. It's true of our Airmen, civilians and their families as well. The success of the world's best Air Force is carried on by their

dedication and hard work

– I am extremely honored
to serve with you

to serve with you.

This Labor Day
weekend, we'll celebrate
some well-deserved time
off to enjoy with family and
friends. However, I don't
want you to forget the
importance of keeping
safety as your top priority.

Whether it's during the

Critical Days of Summer or any other time throughout the year, we must ensure safety is at the forefront of our decision-making process, both on and off duty. Use operational risk management for all your activities. Calculating the risk and weighing your options is the safest way to complete whatever you are doing. Don't forget the importance of reminding each other to wear seatbelts, follow checklists and do other important things to stay safe.

The Lichte family would like to thank you and your family for your service and sacrifice. Enjoy your Labor Day weekend you've earned it. However, don't forget to make safety your number one priority, every day, both on and off duty. Also take time this Labor Day to remember those who are deployed around the world protecting our freedom. Your enthusiasm, spirit, hard work and dedication make me proud to be the Commander of AMC!

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Flying hospital staff gives wounded fighting chance

By Staff Sgt. Stacia Zachary

USAFCENT Combat Camera Team

8/20/2009 - KANDAHAR AIR FIELD, Afghanistan — At any given moment, a call can come in requiring an entire aeromedical evacuation staff to stop what they are doing and begin preparing to care for the wounded and sick headed their way.

With game faces on, the staff starts pulling supplies, alerting additional crewmembers, getting updates from aid stations and making decisions on what the patients will require while in flight. The 451st Expeditionary Aeromedical

Evacuation Flight's charge is to create flying hospitals to transfer U.S. and coalition servicemembers and civilians to a higher level of medical care. "Our mission is to maintain safe care

and patient treatment on long aerial transport from one echelon of medical care to the next," said Capt. Aleacha Sanders, 451st EAEF flight nurse. The aeromedical evacuation crews are

comprised of three- and five-man teams consisting of a flight nurse and medical technicians. At least one crew is on alert at all times. Prior to being put on alert status, the team is given 12 hours of crew rest. Once those 12 hours are up, the team goes on alert for the next 48 hours.

When a team is alerted, they load a vehicle with the necessary equipment for the flight and drive out to the aircraft - anything from a C-130 Hercules to a C-17 Globemaster III to a KC-135 Stratotanker.

While there is a standard set of equipment the AE crew is required to bring, there are challenges to each mission that the team needs to overcome.

"We need to make sure we calculate for power and O2 usage so that we can ensure we have enough supplies and how much oxygen a patient needs," said Master Sgt. Zac Johnson, 451st EAEF flight medic.

On the drive out to the aircraft, the AE crew goes over the patients' records and comes up with a plan for in-flight treatment. "We formulate a game plan and deter-



Senior Airman Libby See, 451st Expeditionary Aeromedical Evacuation Flight Technician, cares for a patient during an AE mission to transport patients from Camp Bastion to Bagram Air Base July 21.

mine what kind of flight conditions will affect the patients, what jobs we will each have and determine the best location for the patients to be placed," said Sergeant Johnson, a Reservist from the 934th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron in Minnesota. "As with the survivor of the helicopter crash who had an injury to the left eye, we tried to place him where it would not be too much effort for him to see. The patients need to be accessible in case of an emergency but we also try to make them as com-

fortable as possible."

Once the vehicle pulls up to the waiting aircraft, the AE crew flies into motion, unloading supplies and equipment and creating set-up areas for the patients.

"We set up a mini hospital in the belly of the aircraft," said Captain Sanders, deployed from Pope's 43rd Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron. "It's important that we put ourselves in a mindset where we ask, 'What will I need if the patient takes a turn for the worse?"

When the ambulance pulls up to the aircraft, the AE crew loads the patients.

"If possible, the most critically injured patients should be at a working level with the less seriously wounded in higher and lower racks," said Maj. Missy Steckler, 451st EAES flight nurse. "But patients are loaded from top to bottom due to the stanchions straps - so (the placement) is partially dependent on how the medical facility has loaded the patients on the ambulance that determines how they will be loaded onto the aircraft.'

Once all the patients have been secured, the medical crew director or lead flight nurse will give the pilots the thumbs up for take off. When the aircraft has reached a safe altitude, the pilots signal the AE crew it is safe to move around the cabin and begin monitoring and treating their patients.

"Once we're given the approval to move around the cabin, we check on the patients, making sure they are tolerating the changes in altitude and ensuring their comfort," said Major Steckler, deployed from the 375th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron at Scott AFB, Ill. "The safety of our patients and crew is paramount."

Upon the AE team's arrival at Bagram Air Base, they are met with an ambulance and medics from the Craig Joint Theater Hospital. Sometimes, a patient's needs are such that they are treated at another echelon of medical care outside of the area of

During the return flight, the AE crew often has time to close out paperwork and reflect on their accomplishments and expe-

"One of the most challenging parts of this job is seeing our wounded Soldiers right after they're hurt," said Senior Airman Libby See, 451st EAEF flight medic. "I joined because I was sick of seeing it on TV and not being able to help. Sometimes, I can't do more than monitor their vitals and hold their hands. You remember everyone you care for though, and I hope that what I did was enough to get them home safe - alive."

Technicians and nurses on the mission

Story and photo by Rhonda Griffin

The small group gathers around a table for a quick briefing on patient conditions and needs, determining who will complete each task and preparing a game plan before loading monitors and equipment into a truck to head out to the flightline. Just minutes later, those crewmembers are standing under the tail of a C-130, ready to put their plans

Though the task at hand would seem difficult to many, each individual on the team knows exactly where to be and what to do to make the process run smoothly. Their job is to turn the huge aircraft into a hospital with wings.

When the back of the aircraft drops down, each member is on the move, loading and setting up equipment, strapping in patients and speaking with the flight crew

before the doors are locked down and the aircraft hits the runway for take off to its next destination.

This is the mission of the 43rd Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron, a crew of technicians and nurses who use their medical skills to care for patients during various types of emergency evacuations. The members perform many of the same tasks to assist patients as those in any medical field do on a daily basis. They, however, treat their patients in the back of an air-

Those who enter the AES have a medical background, but there is still much to learn. In addition to the medical skills the members have acquired before entering the squadron, they must also gain extensive knowledge of how to configure an empty C-130, KC-135, C-17 or other opportune aircraft into a working hospital. These duties require several hours of ground training before being updated to go up in the air.

"As a crew, they must ensure all equipment is approved for flight," said Maj. John Connelly of the 43rd AES Aircrew Training.

Members must know how to work together quickly to configure all of the components of the electrical, oxygen, lighting and communication needs of the flight, along with how to safely load and care for the patients at high altitudes all of which require a strong working knowledge of each type of aircraft. During upgrade training, the students are faced with a number of scenarios, which can range from a patient coding to the plane catching fire.

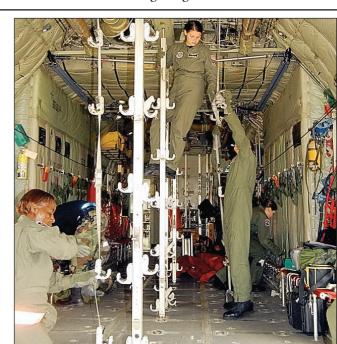
"They have to be prepared for anything and everything,"

Major Connelly said. After the upgrade process has been completed, training is far from over. Members are provided with numerous flight-training missions to stay brushed up on their skills in case they must be put to the test during an actual emergency mission, which can include calls for deployment and to assist with natural disasters.

"The training here is really good," said Senior Airman Christopher Samples, a technician in upgrade with the 43rd AES, who participated in his first ground training Aug. 21. "When you see people doing what you have learned, it all just clicks. And when you go on a mission, you're not just blindsided."

Technicians and nurses learn the aspects of the aircraft and its system, nursing care guidelines, equipment, forms and emergency situations, how to configure and load the aircraft, and attend six ground training days before they are approved to go on a flight training mission, said Staff Sgt. Robert Hawkins of the 43rd **AES Aircrew Training.**

"Then in the flight training



Staff Sgt. Erin Lee (top) hands down a strap to Staff Sgt. Ryan Shock (standing) as the crew works to configure a C-130 for flight during a training mission Aug. 21. Both are aeromedical technicians from the 43rd Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron.

periods, they are expected to put all of that knowledge together," Sergeant Hawkins

When those in the medical field take flight to help others, their duties far surpass those who work in clinics and hospi-

"They already know how to care for the patient," Major Connelly said. "We just teach them how to do it in an airAug. 28, 2009 CAROLINA FLYER

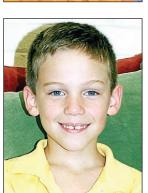
Pope talks By Rhonda Griffin Staff writer

What is the best part of going back to school?



"I like writing in cursive."

— Spencer Willis, 9 4th grade



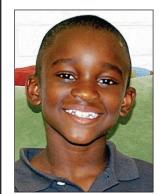
"I like learning how to do cursive too, and I like recess."

> - Jacob Willis, 7 2nd grade



"I like how the teachers and children are having fun. The teachers are very nice."

— Davonte Skelton, 9 4th grade



"I like having fun, learning and getting an education.'

> - Warren Atkins, 9 4th grade

Congratulations to August 2009 Promotees

43rd AMDS

Lindsay Horn

43rd MDSS

To senior master sergeant

43rd Security Forces Squadron

Charles Mansfield To master sergeant

43rd Medical Operations Squadron Herbert Faircloth

43rd Logistics Readiness

Squadron Jeff Green

Walter Ray

To technical sergeant 43rd LRS

To staff sergeant 43rd Aircraft

Maintenance Squadron

43rd Civil Engineer Squadron Steven Bowers 43rd Aerospace **Medicine Squadron** Jennifer Wilt **43rd Medical Support** Squadron Nadia Rowell

Daniel Chin

43rd SFS Le Tari Myles Justin Canada 2nd Airlift Squadron Aaron Goetzinger

To senior airman

14th Air Support **Operations Squadron** Jason Hubbartt

Richard Blalock

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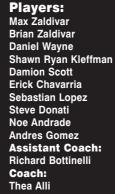
43rd Comptroller Squadron Latonya Kocher

43rd FSS wins Intramural Soccer Championship

Squadron



The 43rd Force Support Squadron defeated the 43rd Medical Group with a score of 2 to 1 in the 2009 Intramural Soccer Championship Aug.









News

Editor's note: To maintain the newsworthiness and timeliness of the Carolina Flyer, briefs will run for a maximum of four weeks or until the event occurs, whichever comes first. If there's a need to extend the publication of the brief, call the editor at 394-1723.

■ Labor Day Closings: Womack Army Medical Center primary care and specialty clinics are closed Sept. 4 and Sept. 7 for Labor Day. This closing includes Clark Health Clinic, Joel Health and Dental Clinic, Robinson Health Clinic, Womack Family Medicine Clinic and our specialty care clinics. The Acute Minor Illness Clinic is open from 4 p.m. to midnight Sept. 4. The Family Medicine Consolidated Clinic is open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sept. 4. This clinic is located in the Womack Family Medicine Clinic. To make an appointment, call 907-2778. The Acute Minor Illness Clinic is open over the weekend. For hours and appointments in the Acute Minor Illness Clinic, call 907-2778. The

always available for emergencies. To reach the Emergency Department, call 911 or 907-7000. The WAMC Pharmacy and Refill Distribution Center is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 4 through 6. All pharmacies are closed Sept. 7. For more information, call 907-9922.

9922. **Olympics** ■ Pope **Registration:** The Pope Olympics Contest is Sept. 17 from 6:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., beginning with the Torch Run. All personnel interested in participating must complete an entry form and return it to the Fitness Center or via e-mail by Monday. Individuals who are interested in volunteering should call the Fitness Center care is available if needed. For more information, call Aly Tugaoen at 717-7097.

PSA Social: The Pope Spouses' Association is having an Island Getaway Bunco social Sept. 8 at 6:30 p.m. at the Pope Picerne Neighborhood Center, located on 51 Skytrain Drive. The PSA is a combined group of enlisted and officer spouses of active duty, Reserve, retiree and civilian members of Team Pope. For more information, call Stacie Biancardi at 339-3000.

Pope's active duty and Reservists are invited to a Save a Life tour from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 23 for members between the ages of 18 to 24 in Hangar 4. A DUI simulator will be available which demonstrates the effects alcohol can have on motorists under its influence. For more information, call 394-8395.

ment brief at 1 p.m. Sept. 21 in the Family Center Building Auditorium. For more informa-

■ Dress, Appearance
Reminder: Officers and enlisted are not allowed to wear or mix some uniform items with civilian clothes. These items, unique to the uniform, include grade insignia, cap devices, badges and other United States or Air Force insignia, such as items with the "Wing and Star" design. Exception: Tie tacs and lapel pins when wearing business attire is authorized. See AFI 36-2903 Table 1.3 Note 6.

■ Air Force Ball: Pope is hosting a ball Sept. 19 to celebrate the Air Force's 62nd year of existence. The evening features the entertaining vocals of Fort Bragg's 82nd Airborne Chorus. Dress code for the event will be

mess dress uniform or semiformal dress. Everyone on base has the opportunity to attend. For more information, call Capt. Laquanis Hooker at 394-1933/2123 or send an e-mail to Laquanis.hooker@pope.af.m il. Remember to save the date.

Air Force Ball Volunteers: Volunteers are needed to assist with ticket sales, event set up, tear down and more. Auditions will also be held for a master of ceremonies (or two if the individuals can provide banter) and a National Anthem singer. For more information, call Capt. Laquanis Hooker at 394-1933/2123 or send an email to Laquanis.hooker@pope.af.m

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■ In • Service

Recruiter: Pope's new Air

Force Reserve in-service

maney. Individuals who are separating from active duty and are interested in Reserve assignments or the Palace Chase program can reach Sergeant Maney at 394-1099.

at 394-1099. MPS On-line **Appointments:** The MPS has launched a new process allowing Active Duty members to schedule an appointment on-line for themselves and their family to have ID cards issued/re-issued. The program is accessible from Pope's main page on the EIM site. Click on the link named "Virtual ID Card Reservation System." There are instructions on the page to help with the process. Additionally, added links are on the site with FAQs and other information. For questions or concerns, call MPS at 394-4772.



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Around the Air Force



TOS BY STAFF SGT. SHAWN WEIS

KANDAHAR AIRFIELD, Afghanistan

Capt. Dan Rees monitors flight controls during a night airdrop to deliver JP-8 fuel to troops July 17 over southwestern Afghanistan. Captain Rees is a C-130J Super Hercules pilot assigned to the 772nd Expeditionary Airlift Squadron at Kandahar Airfield, Afghanistan. Captain Rees is deployed from the 41st Airlift Squadron at Little Rock Air Force Base,



JOINT BASE BALAD, Iraq

Senior Airman Brenton Swift, 332nd
Expeditionary Aircraft Maintenance
Squadron aircraft armament systems
journeyman, watches Staff Sgt. Michael
Hebron, 332nd Expeditionary Medical
Support Squadron aphaeresis technician, monitor the needle insertion site
during a platelet donation at the Air
Force Theater hospital July 24. Fifty percent of donations collected are used
outside the wire.



BAHGDAD, Iraq

Lt. Col Dan Oosterhous, Regional Air Movement Control Center Chief assigned to the Combined Air Operations Center in Southwest Asia, observes while Iraqis responsible for approving and disapproving all civil aircraft flights throughout the country utilize the training he has provided them Aug. 20. He spent 60 days teaching them to organize and archive their information on computer systems and use computer networks to process more than 400 daily flight requests. Colonel Oosterhous is deployed from Scott Air Force Base, III., and is a native of Texarkana, Ark.

LAJES FIELD, the Azores

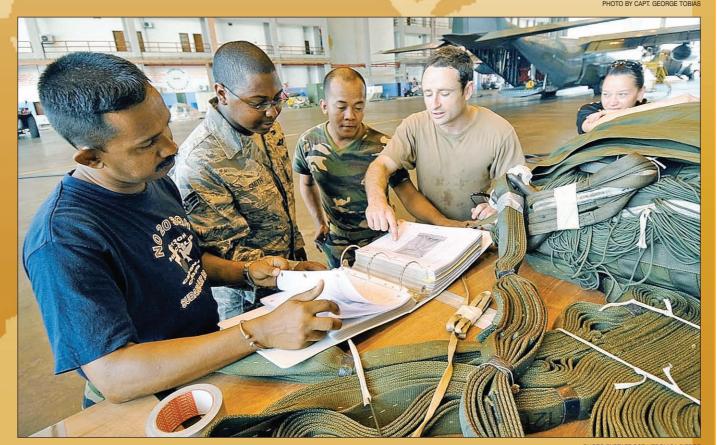
Staff Sgt. Dorothy Arnold, 65th Medical Operation Support Squadron, places a band-aid on the arm of Troy, who is the son of Maj. Thomas Ringlein, 65th Logistics Readiness **Squadron Director of Operations,** after she administered a shot as part of his immunizations during the School and Sports Physical Day held at the Lajes Field clinic Aug 20. During this one-day event, the 65th Medical Group handled around 120 appointments preparing the children at Lajes Field for the new school year and to be able to participate in youth sports. Out of the 120 appointments only 21 children needed to get shots, and out of those, five were new to Lajes Field.



BAGRAM AIRFIELD, Afghanistan

PHOTO BY STAFF SGT. MICHAEL B. KELLER

Staff Sgt. Mike Klinkert, a Fly Away Security Team (FAST) member, secures the perimeter of a C-130H Hercules aircraft at Jalalabad Airfield, Afghanistan Aug. 13. FASTs are a select few of the 455th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron from Bagram who are responsible for the security of an aircraft, its crew and cargo at unsecured airfields.



SUBANG ROYAL MALAYSIAN AFB, Malaysia

Senior Airman Warren Smith, combat mobility flight technician, views technical orders on how to properly rig for air drops with personnel from Malaysia, Australia and New Zealand Air Forces Aug. 19 during the 2009 Pacific Airlift Rally. The PAR is a bi-annual exercise involving Pacific Rim nations which enhances military airlift interoperability with a focus in humanitarian assistance and disaster relief operations. The exercise consisted of a table top exercise and field training exercise involving three C-130 aircraft from the 374th Airlift Wing Yokota Air Base Japan and one C-130 each from the Royal Malaysian, Royal Australian, Republic of Singapore and Royal New Zealand Air Force.

Around the Air Force

Do you have any deployed photos? The 43rd Airlift Wing Public Affairs wants anyone with deployed photos of themselves or anyone else stationed at Pope to add to the new **Around the Air Force** section of the Carolina Flyer.

You can submit your photo to the *Carolina Flyer* at *carolina.flyer@pope.af.mil* or by calling 394-4185.

ose art dedication

Story and photo by Gerald Green 440th Airlift Wing

On August 25, 1944, the XVIII Airborne Corps was organized, forming the nucleus of the airborne forces destined to fight in Europe during WWII. The formation of the Corps consisted of the 82nd and 101st Airborne Brigades. Just one month later, Soldiers from the XVIII would be sent into action for the Operation Market Garden and Operation Varsity. They were carried by the crews and aircraft of the 440th Troop Carrier Group, known today as the 440th Airlift Wing.

In North Carolina on Aug. 25, exactly 65 years later, the XVIII Corps and what is now the 440th AW came together again to complete the relationship that began in 1944.

To mark this historic event, the 440th AW

dedicated a unique nose art to the XVIII Corps. The ceremony was in Hangar 4, one of the oldest buildings on Pope. More than 300 members of the Army and Air Force, along with state and local dignitaries attended the ceremony and witnessed the unveiling of the nose art.

The guest speaker at the ceremony was Mai Gen. James Rubeor, 22nd Air Force Commander, who spoke of the historical nature of the event. The general also spoke of the continuing relationship of these two great fighting forces and said that today, as it was in 1944, the XVIII Corps is carried into battle by the 440th AW.

Col. Merle Hart, 440th AW Commander, spoke of the commitment he and the members of the 440th AW have to the continuing support of the Corps and is an integral part of the Wing's mission today and in the future. Colonel Hart added that the strength of the wing and the corps is a vital link in the war against forces that want to harm the United States.

The Deputy Commander of the XVIII Airborne Corps, Maj. Gen. Daniel Allyn, was visibly awed when he and Colonel Hart unveiled the plaque that resembled a smaller version of the C-130 tail section branded with the XVIII Corps insignia. The aircraft serial number identifier 60418 numerically identifies with the aircraft and the XVIII Corps.

Today the XVIII Airborne Corps — the Army's largest war fighting organization — is the



Maj. Gen. Daniel Allyn, XVIII Airborne Corps Deputy Commander, and Col. Merle Hart, 440th Airlift Wing Commander, unveil the commemorative plague, resembling a smaller version of the C-130 tail section branded with the XVIII Corps insignia.

only airborne corps in the defense establishment of the United States and exercises control over approximately 88,000 Soldiers.

Affixing names to aircraft and painting decorative nose art is a tradition dating back to pilots who would name their aircraft after a mother, girlfriend, wife or pinup icon.

When the Base Realignment and Closure

Commission changed the established military structure, the process required the 440th AW from Milwaukee to move to Pope in 2007. The wing has 16 C-130 Hercules aircraft flown by reserve and active duty forces assigned to the wing. The 440th Airlift Wing continues to grow and has more than 1,200 reservists and civilian employees assigned to the wing.

Pope Airmen show readiness in recent base exercise

Story and photo by 2nd Lt. Cammie Quinn

It started with a bang as Pope's emergency response teams set out to quell the alarms and prove to the Pope evaluators that they are, in fact, the best response teams in the Air Force.

A basewide exercise was held Aug. 20 to test the readiness of Pope's squadrons during a series of emergency situations. Two scenarios occurred simultaneously on opposite sides of Pope, causing responders to divvy up their personnel and provide constant communication.

At exactly 8:36 a.m., a bomb detonated at the base chapel, causing its injured to rush outside. Across base, and unbeknownst to emergency responders at the chapel, a hostage situation was occurring at the

Pope Passenger terminal. And with that, it was game

First to arrive on-scene at the chapel were members of Pope's Fire Response team. As part of the scenario, the chapel victims reported an exposure to radiological elements and were taken aside to be hosed off by the fire team. In order to promote realworld reactions, both the responders and the victims were excluded from much of the planning process.

Victim volunteer, Senior Airman Cecilia Amuzu, 43rd Comptroller Squadron, said the volunteers were presented the situation and told what to say but "didn't know about it completely." She, along with eight other volunteers, played their roles well and received comfort knowing Pope's response team reacts quickly and understands exactly what level of care to



A hostage taker role-player, Pope Undisclosed Squadron, holds up Nicole Whiteman, 43rd Aerospace Medicine Squadron, Aug. 20 during the Weapons of Mass Destruction/ Hostage Recovery Exercise at the Pope Passenger terminal.

provide each individual.

The Fire Response Exercise Evaluation Team chief delivered similar accolades.

"Everything initiated the way it would in a real-world

said Robert situation," Cross, the 43rd Civil Engineer Squadron EET team Chief. "The fire response team is always the first responder," he added.

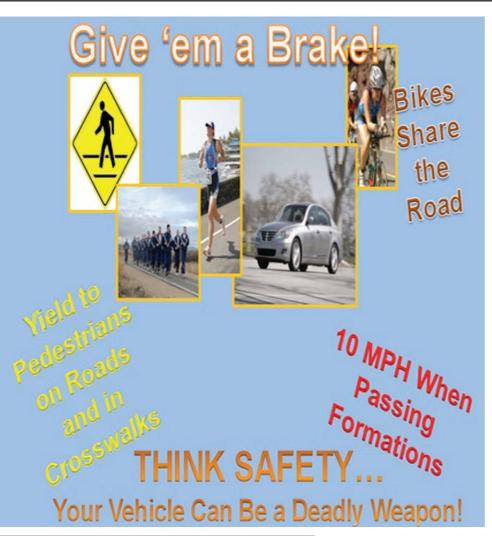
Across base, an entirely situation different occurred. Nineteen passengers arrived at the PAX terminal for what they thought was an incentive ride. Imagine their surprise when they were greeted by hostile Universal Adversaries who informed the group they were being held hostage.

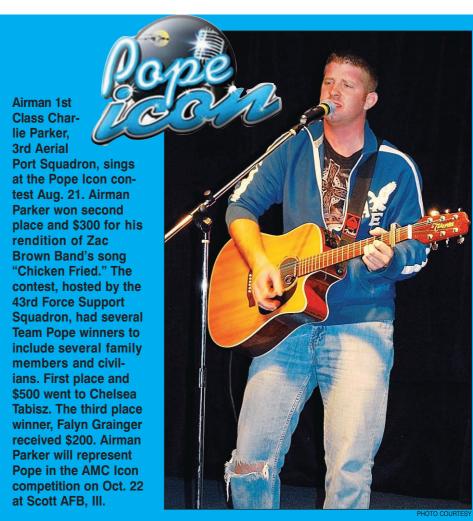
The UAs, played by four active duty Pope members with a history of negotiating during hostage situations, were in constant communication with negotiators. The negotiators, housed next to the terminal in Hangar 4, attempted to work with the hostile

On the other side of the situation, the hostages were also being observed. Victims were evaluated on their ability to adhere to Survival Evasion Resistance and Escape techniques.

Of course, there was some behind-the-scenes action as Pope leadership rallied in the Emergency Operations Center in order to react quickly to the day's unfolding events. Those on-scene reported to their respective commander, giving the EOC team an idea of exactly what was occurring on-site. "We had a very good picture of what was going on," said Master Sergeant Andre Sanders, the 43rd Civil Engineer Squadron em emergency

support function. The exercise required coordination with the 42nd Civil Support Team for their response to all regional chemical events as well as the Federal Bureau of Investigation, who assisted with the hostage situation.





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Be a part of the Pope drive to recycle **40 percent** of our solid waste. It's easy, it saves money and it's the right thing to do.

For more information, contact your unit/group environmental coordinators or call the 43rd CES environmental flight at 394-1634/1369.

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POPE SERVICES-

Kitty Hawk Inn 394-4377

UTA weekend Saturday and Sunday: Breakfast: 6 to 8 a.m. Lunch: 10:30 a.m to 1 p.m. Monday - Friday Breakfast: 5:30 to 7 a.m. Lunch: 10:30 a.m to 1 p.m.

Dinner: 4 to 7 p.m. Weekends, Holidays and downdays Brunch: 7 a.m. to noor Supper: 4 to 6 p.m.

Habaneros' Mexican Grill

Pope chapel

315 Ethridge Street □ 394-2677

Religious

For bible studies call the

Contemporary service: Sunday, 11:30 a.m.

Protestant Combined

ing services **Sunday school (all**

Sunday at 9:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

through Thursday, 11:30 a.m.

day from 9:00 to 9:15 a.m., 4:30 to 4:45 p.m. or by appointment.

Services offered

Saturday at 5 p.m. Confessions at 4 p.m.

Christian services:

Chapel at 396-1121. **Officers' Christian**

Fellowship: Bible study on leadership, Wednesday at 6 a.m.

Chapel Bldg. D-3733 Ardennes St at 489-2094.

The Watters Center on



Tuesday - Thursday: 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. **School Age Programs** Monday - Friday: 6 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. **Auto Hobby Shop** - Thursday: 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. **Community Center** 394-2779 **Bowling Center**

Monday - Thursday: 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday: 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday: 11 a.m. to 12 a.m. **Sunday:** 11 a.m. to 7 p.m **Willow Lakes Golf Course** Tuesday and Sunday: 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. **Fitness Center** 394-2671 Monday - Friday: 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday and Sunday: 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Holidays and family days: 7 a.m. to 3 p.m Frame and Design Arts Monday and Tuesday: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Wednesday and Thursday: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and Holidays: Closed

Butler's Barber Shop 394-4387 Monday - Friday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Mack's Barber Shop

Monday - Friday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Equipment Rental

Monday/Wednesday Friday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Child Development Center

Monday - Friday: 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

services

chapel

Traditional service: Sunday, 8 a.m. except

second Sundays

Worship: 11:30 a.m. the second Sunday of each month with potluck follow-

ages): Closed for summer and will resume Sept.

Catholic services:

Daily mass: Monday

Reconciliation: Sun-

Choir rehearsal: Monday at 7 p.m.

RCIA: Contact 394-1856 **CCD:** Closed for summer and will resume Aug. 30

at Fort Bragg

Catholic service: JFK Chapel, Ardennes Street,

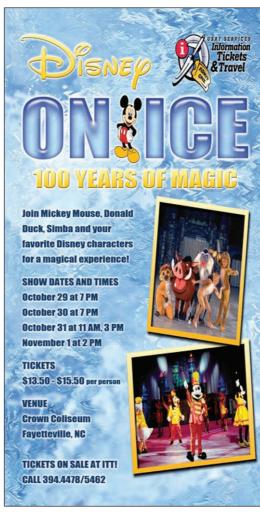
Muslim or Orthodox Call the Fort Bragg

Jewish services: Contact the Faith Community

Wiccan ceremonies:

Fort Bragg holds an open circle Thursday at 7:30







101 Critical Days of Summer 2009 Winding Down

Sept. 7 officially wraps up this year's 101 Critical Days of Summer Safety Campaign. Labor Day weekend historically brings with it a spike in fatalities, so it is important to practice safety in every activity when celebrating the unofficial end of summer. Having a positive safety attitude is important. Take the time to do a good safety check on your vehicle before leaving town. Check for sound mechanical condition. Little things like tire pressure, fluid levels, belts, hoses, lights and wiper blades being directly related to a vehicle's safety and, when properly maintained, can help someone avoid breakdowns on the roadways and improve safety. Think about how to make summer activities safer. Whether boating, swimming, hiking, or just enjoying some time with family and friends, take time to think about how to do it safely.

As of Aug. 24, 50 Airmen across the Air Force have lost their lives in Fiscal Year 2009. Forty of those were the result of vehicle accidents, including 16 motorcycle fatalities. We narrowly missed adding five more to those statistics from Pope over the summer. It's very important to remember that it can happen to everyone. Many of the Air Force's fatalities involved excessive speed, driving too fast for the conditions or reckless behavior. Alcohol was involved in approximately one-fourth of the fatalities. Still not convinced? Look at the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration's data for 2008, which shows people are at a disadvantage just by living in North Carolina. North Carolina ranked sixth in fatal motor vehicle accidents in 2008 behind California, Texas, Florida, Pennsylvania and Georgia. Nationwide, about 55 percent of the more than 25,000 fatalities were not wearing seat belts. Seatbelts improve the odds of surviving a crash — buckle up and improve the odds of survival.

Alcohol was attributed to 30 percent of the more than 1,000 North Carolina fatalities in 2008. Give the keys to someone else if planning to drink. People hear that all the time, but often think about it for just a minute. Just a couple of beers can put a person over the limit. Some may think they're OK to drive, but a person's judgment and reaction time are impaired. It only takes a split second to ruin a person's life. Looking away for even a sec-

ond to change the radio or checking a text from a buddy, can cause a person to cross the centerline, forcing another car to take evasive action. The other driver swerves to avoid the impact, spins out of control, hits a guardrail and kills their family of four. It happens like that every day. It may have been only two beers and a split second for driver, but it was the rest of the victim's lives. Now suppose that driver moved out of traffic court and into criminal court, where the prison sentence will be long. Why would anyone want to risk that? It just doesn't make sense. The fine for a DUI is the least of a driver's worries when that driver chooses to drink then drive a motor vehicle. It's simple: give the keys to a nondrinking driver and avoid the worry all togeth-

Help Team Pope keep the remaining days of the 101 Critical Days of Summer from becoming a tragedy. Slow down a little, think before deciding to act and stay alert out there. The Pope Safety Center and wing leadership want each of you to enjoy a safe and happy end to the summer.

(Courtesy of the Pope Safety Center)

Movies

Tickets are \$2 for adults and \$1.50 for children 12 and younger.

Pope Theater

Armistead, Pope

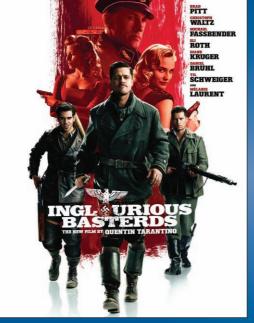
Tonight: Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG-13) 7 p.m.

Saturday: G-Force (PG) 4 p.m.; Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) 7 p.m.

Sunday: G-Force (PG) 4 p.m.; Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince (PG) 7 p.m.

(Courtesy of www.aafes.com)

Inglourious Basterds



By Irvin Gourdine

Staff writer

After seeing the previews for this movie, I expected 'Inglourious Basterds' to be a graphic war-style film. Instead the movie mixed comedy with killing. Never would I expect to laugh after watching someone get their brain bashed - only in a Quentin Tarantino movie do you get such a mixture of brutality and comedy.

This is a kind of movie you have to watch in its entirety, because if you miss just a little bit you're going to get lost. The film is broken into different chapters; each chapter leads to a big conclusion. It's almost like watching a good book on the big screen. Though some scenes were dragged out and boring at times, it was all necessary to spotlight each character and show how they all come together in the end.

The movie takes place during the reign of Adolf Hitler. Lt. Aldo Raine, played by Brad Pitt, takes a group of Jewish soldiers, known as the Basterds, into France with the goal of killing as many Nazis as possible - and that's exactly what they do.

Word of the Basterds' exploits spreads throughout the Nazi camps making the group one of the biggest threats to Hitler and his army. Aldo and his Basterds meet their match when they are pursued by Col. Hans Landa, played by Christoph Waltz, one of the best soldiers in the Nazi camp.

Brad Pitt put on one of his best performances as Lieutenant Aldo, a wise-cracking American soldier from the South. Pitt's antics were hilarious and as the the leader of the Basterds, he was one of the most memorable characters within the bunch. Eli Roth played 'Bear of Jew,' one of the most recognizable Basterds, who beat his enemies to death with a bat. Waltz' character, Colonel Landa, is another unforgettable character. Like Pitt, he was funny yet brutal. You could never tell if he was being funny or serious.

All in all, this movie was great. While slow at times, those who have seen a Quentin Tarantino film will understand why. He does a great job of giving each of his characters a shot at glory on screen. "Inglourious Basterds" will keep you laughing amid all the brutal action.